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An act to amend Section 12200.03 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to public social services, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Section 12200.03 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is amended to read:

12200.03. (a) Notwithstanding any other law, and subject to subdivision (b), on the first day of the first month following 90 days after the effective date of the act that adds this section, the maximum aid payment for an individual, as specified in Section 12200, except subdivisions (e), (g), and (h) of that section, shall be reduced to equal the minimum amount required by the federal Social Security Act in order to maintain eligibility for federal funding under Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act, contained in Subchapter 19 (commencing with Section 1396) of Chapter 7 of Title 42 of the United States Code.

- (b) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), in no event shall the payment schedules be reduced below the level of the state's March 1983 payment standards, as adjusted by the federal Social Security Administration, pursuant to Section 416.2096(b) of Title 20 of the Code of Federal Regulations.
- SEC. 2. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:

In order to make changes necessary to implement the Budget Act of 2011, it is necessary for this act to take effect immediately.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

Bill No.
as introduced,
General Subject: Supplemental Security Income/State Supplementary Program for the
Aged, Blind and Disabled (SSI/SSP).

Existing law provides for the State Supplementary Program for the Aged, Blind and Disabled (SSP), which requires the State Department of Social Services to contract with the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services to make payments to SSP recipients to supplement Supplemental Security Income (SSI) payments made available pursuant to the federal Social Security Act. State payment levels for SSI/SSP recipients are established in accordance with prescribed requirements. Existing law requires SSI/SSP rates for individuals to be reduced to equal the minimum amount required by the federal Social Security Act in order to maintain the state's eligibility for federal Medicaid funding, subject to prescribed exceptions.

This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to the above provisions.

This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

Vote: 2/3. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.